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"(c) No. The Government proposes to convene a conference of about eight medical officers and private practitioners to consider the problem of manning the medical institutions in rural areas.

"(d) A statement [a] is placed on the table of the House."

Travelling allowance drawn by the Cabinet Members.

*65 *Q.*—SRI ALEXANDER GNANAMUTTU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the exact amount of travelling allowance drawn by each Member of the Cabinet for the months of April and May 1952; and

(b) how often the Members of the Cabinet have gone to their home town during the above months and on what Government business?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM:—"(a) A statement [b] (Statement I) is laid on the table of the House.

"(b) A statement [b] (Statement II) is laid on the table of the House giving all the information required. When Ministers go on private business to their homes they do not draw travelling allowance."

Grant of Central Government scales of pay and allowances to State employees.

*66 *Q.*—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAMA MUDALIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether representations have been received by the Government from the State Employees' Association praying for the grant of salaries and allowances to the State employees on the scales sanctioned by the Central Government for their employees;

(b) whether orders have been passed on the representations; and

(c) if so, whether the Government will place a copy of the order on the table of the House and if not, what action has been taken in the matter?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM:—"(a) Yes.

"(b) & (c) The Government have examined the representations carefully and have decided that with the existing resources, it is not possible to grant the requests made by the Associations for the revision of the scales of pay and dearness and house rent allowances of non-gazetted Government servants."

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[a] Printed as Appendix I on page 475 infra.

[b] Printed as Appendix II on pages 476–478 infra.